

## Message Text

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R 171337Z DEC 76  
FM AMEMBASSY LAGOS  
TO RUE DC/USDOC WASHDC  
AMCONSUL KADUNA  
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 8282  
AMCONSUL IBADAN

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E.O. 11652 : NA  
TAGS : BBAK, BEXP, NI  
SUBJ : EQUATORIAL ASSOCIATED INTERNATIONAL: BACKGROUND CHECK

1. EMBASSY IN RECEIPT OF INQUIRY FROM MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES  
OF PLATEAU STATE(JOS) CONCERNING EQUATORIAL ASSOCIATED  
INTERNATIONAL INC., P.O. BOX 77046, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 90007.  
MINISTRY STATES IT IS NEGOTIATING WITH FIRM FOR IMPORTATION  
OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF CEMENT BUT FIRST WOULD LIKE USG TO FURNISH  
QUOTE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON THEIR FINANCIAL WHEREWITHAL,  
REPUTATION AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU MAY CONSIDER RELEVANT  
UNQUOTE.

2. WE RECALL THAT GREAT NIGERIAN CEMENT SCANDAL UNCOVERED NUMBER  
OF URELIABLE TRADERS, CONTRIBUTED TO DOWNFALL GOWON REGIME AND  
TEMPORARILY DISRUPTED NIGERIAN FINANCIAL RELATIONS WITH REST OF  
WORLD. WITH THAT IN MIND, AND IN VIEW OF OFFICIAL NATURE OF  
INQUIRY, WOULD APPRECIATE PROMPT AND FULL REPLY.

3. PLEASE REPLY DIRECTLY TO AMCONSUL KADUNA FOR RELAY TO  
MINISTRY. POUCHING MINISTRY LETTER TO KADUNA.  
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